AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Beginning on page 8, line 28, please replace the original paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

-- To prepare the *thrY*-defective strain, only the central part of the protein coding region of the gene went through DNA Polymerase Chain Reaction (i.e., <u>primar1 primer 1</u>: 5'-GACTTGTTCGGTGTTGAATCCGAGC-3', (SEQ ID NO: 2) <u>primar2 primer 2</u>: 5'-CGGTCTGAT CGCCTACGGAGCAATC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 3)) and was cloned to an *E. coli* vector such as pCR2.1-TOPO (which is produced by Invitrogen Company). The same was transformed to *Corynebacterium glutamicum* CJ L-1 strain, which is the low-threonine-requiring strain, and a single cross-over movement was performed thereon to get the defective strain (please refer to Fig. 1 and Fig. 2). Later, it was found out that the threonine auxotrophy of *thrY* defective strain was markedly increased from 20mg/l to 300mg/l. --